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### **TOP STORY**



Congressional draft map 2.2 Draft map



Legislative draft map 2.0 Draft map

# **Independent Redistricting Commission Deliberate Over Congressional and Legislative Maps**

Commissioners Working with 1000+ Public Comments and Maps Submitted by Arizonaians

**Phoenix, AZ**: The first phase of four phases to draw new lines for Arizona's congressional and state legislative districts has concluded and the Arizona Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC) is now holding meetings for the second phase which adjusts the grid maps of equal populations using six criteria mandated by the Arizona Constitution.

The IRC will hold a series of public meetings with its mapping consultants beginning Friday, Oct. 15, at 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Sheraton Crescent Hotel, 2620 W. Dunlap Ave., Phoenix, AZ. There is free public parking at the location and nearby public transit on <u>Valley Metro</u> routes.

Meetings will continue through the month until the adopted draft maps are approved by the commission. A <u>meeting schedule</u> can be found on the IRC's <u>web page</u>.

Members of the general public can attend in person and or view the meeting remotely to watch the decision-making process.

The public has been actively engaged in helping the commission determine how the new congressional and legislative districts should look. More than 70 maps have been submitted and more than 1,000 suggestions have been made through online and in-person comments.

With the approval of the adopted draft maps, the commission will begin the third phase of the mapping process: the legally-mandated 30-day public comment period. The commission will hold public hearings throughout the state with dates and locations to be determined.

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The fourth phase finalizes the congressional and state legislative district boundaries which is expected to be done in December 2021.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

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### How to use AZ Redistricting Mapping Tool



Here is a description of the numbered tabs at the top of this page that will guide you in the process of creating districts.

- 1 Learn This is the page you are on now and is the first step in the process.
- 2 Create Use the select tools and choose geographies to make district assignments. As you make assignments, the goal is to create balanced populations between districts.
- 3 Review View tables/charts that show the distribution of population within the districts you have created. The tables/charts are updated as you select and move populations between districts.
- 4| Share The share features allow you to invite friends and colleagues to view and /or comment on your plan. You can also invite others to build a plan together.

Additional ways to submit comments and maps.

- 1. Present at public hearing meetings. Make sure you bring a copy of your comment and maps for submittal to staff
- 2. Submit your comments on IRC website public comments
- 3. Email comments and maps to ircadmin@azdoa.gov.

<u>UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS</u>

#### **DRAFT MAPS DECISION MEETINGS**

Meeting Location: Sheraton Crescent Hotel, 2620 W. Dunlap Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85021

Date/Time	Live Watch Stream	Public Comment Link
Friday, Oct. 15, 8:30am to 4 pm	Join from the event link  WebEx Live  Join by the event number  Event number (access code): 2466 662 7408  Event password: Ypem9phFM47 (97369743 from phones)	link: https://forms.gle/7tiS8ydzsLnn agRk8

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Monday, Oct. 18 8am - 3pm	Join from the event link  WebEx Live  Join by the event number	link: https://forms.gle/oZsf7NWG3 kcBGhC56
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Tuesday, Oct 19 8am -5pm	Join from the event link WebEx Live	Link: https://forms.gle/djgVgZkAKyx
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## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

- <u>Audit Log</u>: The purpose of the audit log is to track changes made from the initial Grid Map to Draft Maps to Final Maps by the mapping consultants at the collective direction of the Independent Redistricting Commission.
- Arizona IRC 2021 Redistricting mapping system training series: groups. How do we create a group? How do we add content to a group and how do we accept a group invitation if you are an end user and someone is inviting you to collaborate with them inside their group? Learn more: <a href="https://bit.ly/IRCGroupSharing">https://bit.ly/IRCGroupSharing</a>
- Arizona IRC 2021 Redistricting mapping system training series: <u>submitting a single district</u>. We've created focus templates that will allow individuals to draw a single district with a maximum population deviation of up to 100%, which will allow individuals to draw a single district without having to work the entire statewide grid map. Learn more: <a href="https://bit.ly/IRCHowToSubmitASingleDistrict">https://bit.ly/IRCHowToSubmitASingleDistrict</a>
- Arizona IRC 2021 Redistricting mapping system training series: learn how to <u>export a redistricting plan</u> from a third party software and import into the IRC Redistricting System. Learn more: <a href="https://bit.ly/IRCImportTextFile">https://bit.ly/IRCImportTextFile</a>

MISSION: The Independent Redistricting Commission's mission is to redraw Arizona's congressional and legislative districts to reflect the results of the most recent census. The concept of one-person, one-vote dictates that districts should be roughly equal in population. Other factors to be considered are the federal Voting Rights Act, district shape, geographical features, respect for communities of interest and potential competitiveness. The state Constitution requires the commissioners – two Republicans, two Democrats and an independent chairperson – to start from scratch rather than redraw existing districts.

A new Arizona Independent Redistricting Commission was appointed in January 2021 to adopt new congressional and legislative districts for Arizona.



# Read more on our website: <a href="https://irc.az.gov/">https://irc.az.gov/</a>

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